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2010 Idaho Wheat Varieties

Brundage, a soft white winter variety, remains Idaho's most popular wheat variety, according to National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide, Brundage accounts for 10.0 percent of all wheat planted compared to 10.9 percent of all wheat in 2008. WestBred 936, a hard red spring wheat was the second most popular variety accounting for 9.1 percent of the wheat seeded in 2010. The remaining top five varieties in 2010 are Alturas, a soft white spring, third with 6.7 percent; Jefferson, a hard red spring, fourth with 4.8 percent and Klasic, a hard white spring, fifth with 4.4 percent of all wheat planted.

Comparing 2010's top five varieties with where they ranked in 2008, Brundage, WestBred 936, and Alturas remained unchanged as the top three leading varieties. Fourth ranked Jefferson was ranked sixth in 2008 and fifth ranked Klasic was seventh in 2008.

By class, soft white winter wheat accounted for 39.3 percent of all wheat acres, down from 41.1 percent of the acreage in 2008. Hard red spring wheat accounts for 19.0 percent this year compared to 18.9 percent in 2008. The third most popular class in 2010 is hard red winter, accounting for 15.7 percent in 2010 compared to 18.2 percent of all wheat acres in 2008. Overall, 34.7 percent of the 2010 wheat crop is hard red winter and spring wheat, down 2.4 percentage points from 2008. Soft white winter and spring wheat accounted for 53.5 percent, down 0.9 percentage points from 2008. The remaining 11.8 percent of the wheat planted was hard white winter and spring wheat, club wheat and durum wheat.

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